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CONSPIRACY, POLICE DESERTIONS, SABOTAGE
REVEAL UNREST IN SOVIET ZONE GERMANY

RUMORS CONSPIRACY AGAINST STALIN -- Buenos Aires, Argentinischer Tageblatt, 16 Mar 51

Fourteen Soviet officers in East Germany are reported to have been hanged for taking part in a conspiracy to overthrow Stalin. There appears to be some basis to rumors, which have been circulating for some time, of a certain restlessness in occupation circles.

GIVES DATA ON PEOPLE'S POLICE DESERTIONS -- Buenos Aires, Argentinisches Tageblatt, 11 May 51

Berlin, 3 May (DPA) - During April, 127 members of the People's Police fled to West Berlin, the highest number to desert during any one month.

Allied sources in Berlin report that 944 members of the People's Police have fled the Soviet Zone since June 1950. Nearly 50 percent of these left their units and service stations in the German Democratic Republic during the first 4 months of 1951.

INSURANCE OFFICIALS SENTENCED FOR ECONOMIC SABOTAGE -- Zurich, Neue Zuercher Zeitung, 3 Apr 51

On 31 March 1951, seven directors and leading officials of the Social Insurance Association for Thuringen were found guilty of economic sabotage by an East German court in Gotha. The principal defendant, Heinrich Georg, president of the association, was sentenced to 12 years' forced labor. The other defendants received sentences of from 3 to 9 years at forced labor.

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TRIES ECONOMIC CRIMINALS -- Berlin, Taegliche Rundschau, 28 Mar 51

On 28 March 1951 the following economic criminals will be tried by the Superior Criminal Court in Rostock. Johannes Bundfuss and his wife; Richard Heinrich, Jochen Kurth, Hans Sievert, Dr Christian Huenlich, Heizenroither (fnu), Charlotte Schulke, and Reinhold Schmidt. These persons are accused of having cheated the state out of millions of Deutsche marks, for the benefit of the former Rueckforth concern.

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